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MEMORANDUM FOR

SUBJECT: Priority of Intelligence Objectives

As you know, for the past six months we have had no direction incident to the importance or priority of intelligence targets and objectives. In our current interim operations I feel we should have some guidance as to where our energies and collecting ability should be aimed.

Attached is a combination dissertation and analysis of what SI considers to be the national objective. The targets as outlined in paragraphs 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8 are, I believe, in general accord with the way that you and Admiral Souers view the matter. I do not anticipate a specific directive covering these points but feel that an indorsement of the views in the paper, if you agree with them, will be sufficient for us to direct our efforts in the proper direction.

Colonel, Inf.  
Director

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